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US 231 RELOCATION STUDY CAPSTONE
Purdue Road School

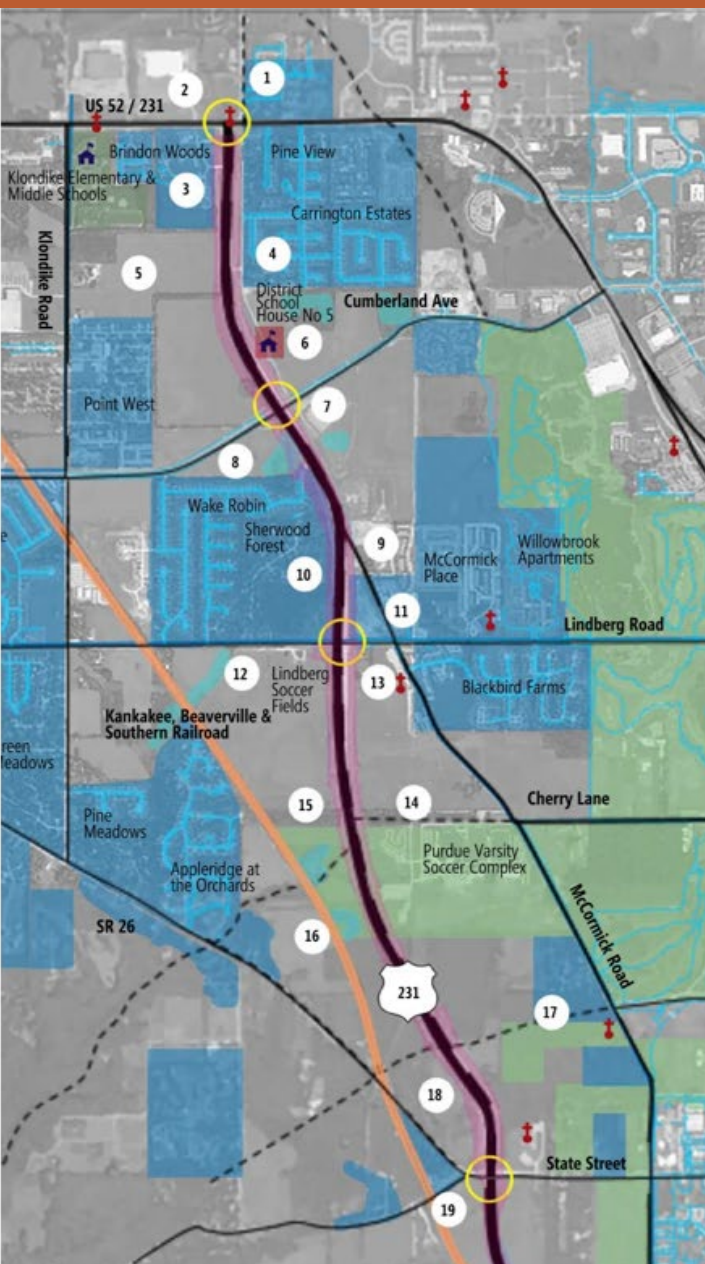
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2013 Preserved Commitments



LEGEND

- ROW
- Railroad
- Intersections
- Popular bikeable streets
- Community/campus green space
- Existing/planned neighborhoods
- Existing wetlands
- Existing cultural resource
- Existing roadways
- Complete trails
- Church or grave
- School

CONTEXT SENSITIVE DESIGN OPPORTUNITIES DEVELOPED WITH CAC

- 1 Path extension to Hadley Lake
 - 2 US 52 intersection
 - 3 Enhanced buffers on each side
 - 4 Neighborhood access with no relocation
 - 5 Greenway link to schools and West
 - ★ 6 Avoid old schoolhouse
 - ★ 7 Enhanced intersection for future extension and bike paths*
 - ★ 8 Wetland impacts minimized
 - 9 Enhanced buffers on both sides
 - ★ 10 Avoid wetlands
 - 11 Intersection options
 - ★ 12 Avoid soccer fields
 - ★ 13 Monitor Construction for burials
 - 14 Cherry Lane and greenway extension
 - 15 Purdue Gateway intersection
 - ★ 16 Avoid two wetland areas
 - 17 Greenway extension
 - 18 Grade separated greenway crossing at stream
 - 19 Purdue Gateway intersection
- ★ *Paved pathways on both sides of the roadway will be provided

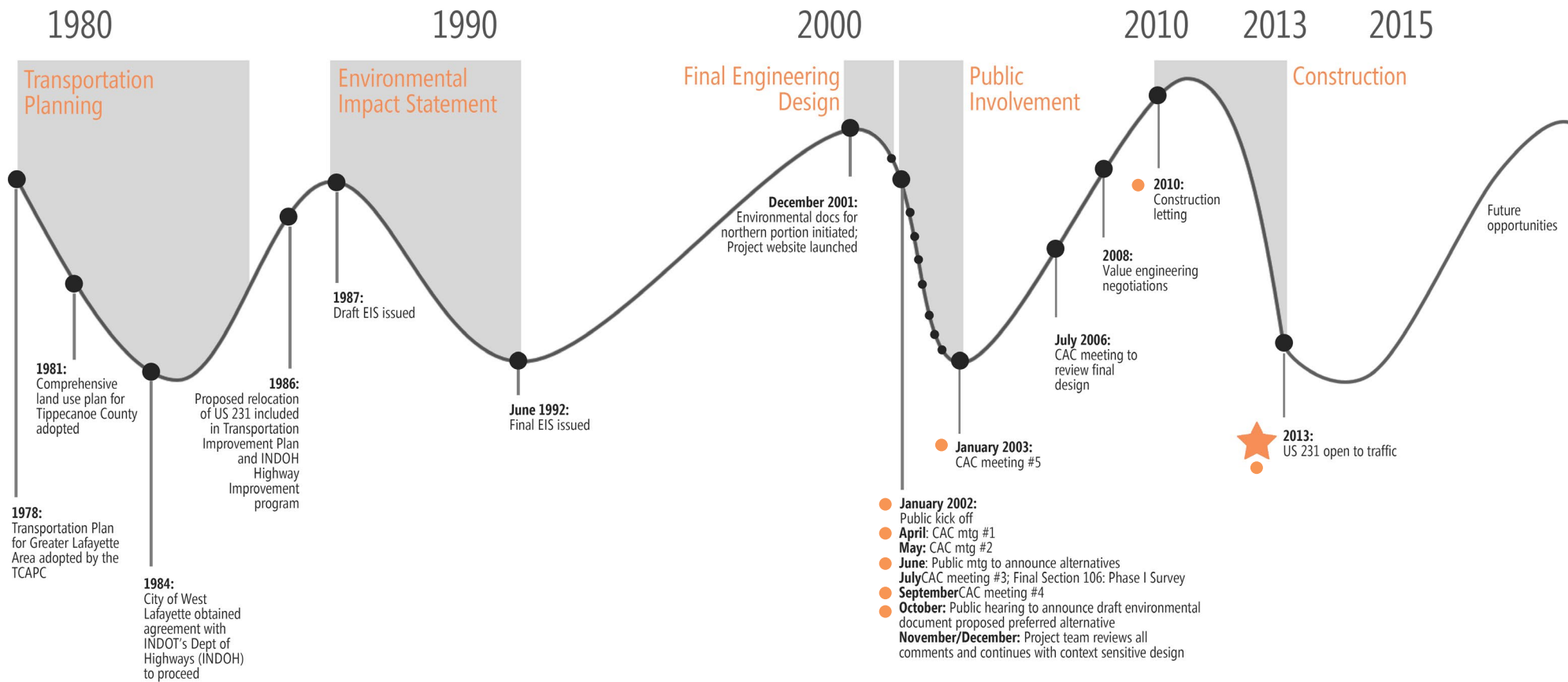
The US 231 Relocation Project Capstone provides an opportunity to take a 'soft' look back on the evolution of the planning, environmental assessment, design and ultimate construction of this important project in West Lafayette. The project was **successfully constructed and opened to traffic in 2013**.

In 2001, INDOT and FHWA agreed that the project presented an opportunity to explore the value of using a different approach to collaboration and impact assessment during the environmental study. This capstone poses two fundamental questions for consideration:

- Did this decision change the ultimate outcome of the project?
- Was there a lasting effect on policy and how projects are developed?

INSTRUCTIONS & NAVIGATION

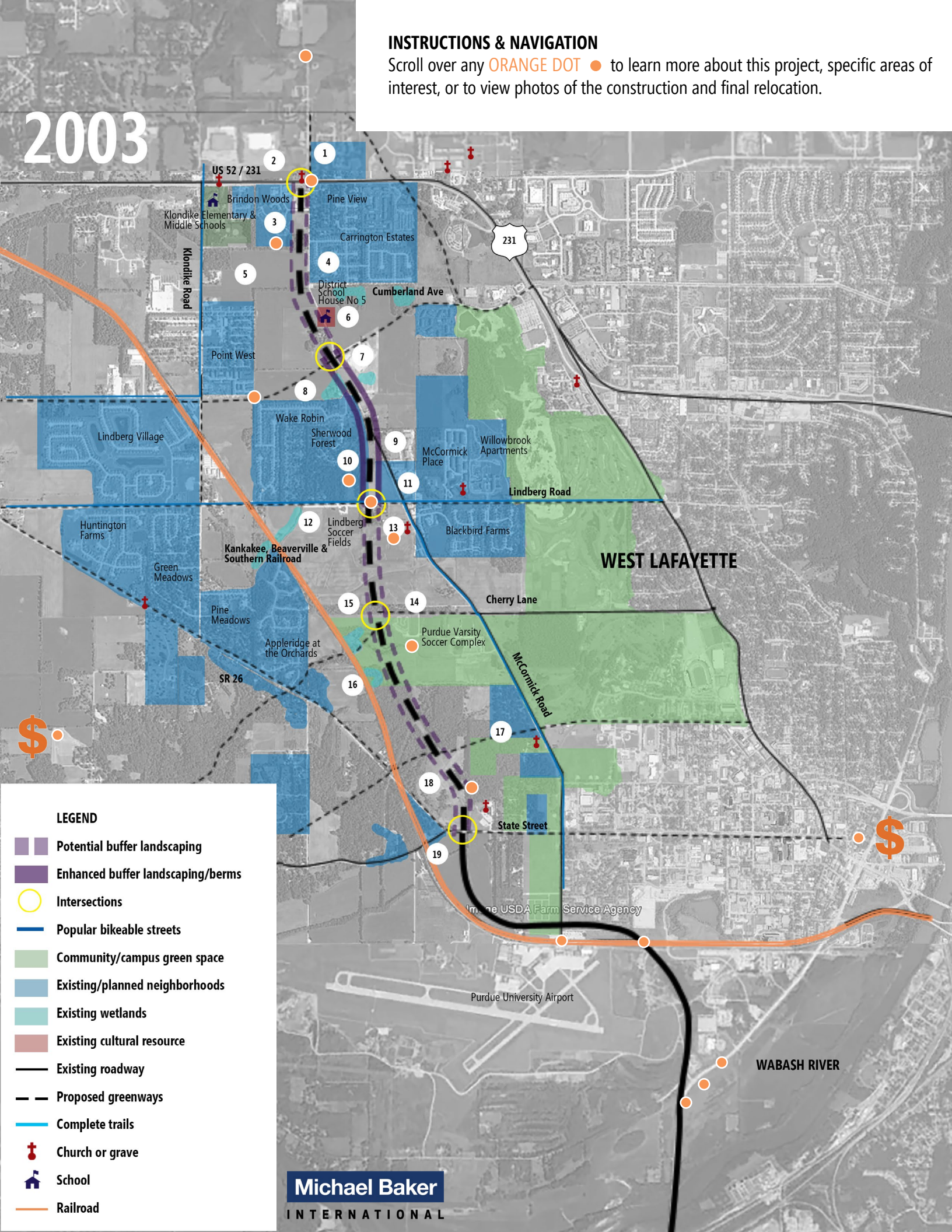
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2003

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Scroll over any **ORANGE DOT** ● to learn more about this project, specific areas of interest, or to view photos of the construction and final relocation.



CAPSTONE OUTCOMES

Did this decision to do things differently change the ultimate outcome of the project? **YES**

Was there a lasting effect on policy and how projects are developed? **YES**

INDOT's decision to do things differently in 2001 matters

This project changed the way INDOT does business:

- Enhanced Public Involvement
- The MPO as a partner; resource
- Context Sensitive Design
- Bridging the gap b/w planning, NEPA and design

The level of engagement with the MPO and the use of CIA/CACs established and preserved accountability.

“ One of the things we learned since 2003 is that a public involvement plan should be required... that's been a step in the right direction to get project management teams to pause and think about impacts to communities at the onset, figure some of the things we need to look at, and make a plan for moving forward.

Issues are being caught earlier, conversations are being had sooner. That can only be a good thing. ”

Rickie Clark

Manager, Public Involvement (INDOT)

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